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Docket No. 213630US3X PCT

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hisayoshi ITO, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/926,146

RCE FILED: March 4, 2004

FOR: AGITATION TANK FOR STORING YEAST SOLUTION, METHOD OF PRODUCING FERMENTED FOODS
SUCH AS BEER USING THE AGITATION TANK, AND AGITATING VANES PROVIDED IN THE
AGITATION TANK

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.116** in the above-identified application.

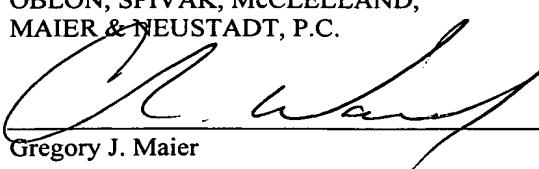
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.